

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Confirmation No.: 8359

Tsutomu ATSUKI et al.

Group Art Unit: 1794

Application No.: 10/571,315

Examiner: Holly T. LE

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For: METAL NANO-PARTICLES AND METHOD FOR PREPARING THE SAME, DISPERSION OF METAL NANO-PARTICLES AND METHOD FOR PREPARING THE SAME, AND THIN METALLIC WIRE AND METAL FILM AND METHOD FOR PREPARING THESE SUBSTANCES

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Mail Stop AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

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April 15, 2009

Sir:

In reply to the outstanding Office Action dated December 15, 2008, please amend the application as shown on the following pages. The period for response is extended one (1) month, from March 15, 2009, to April 15, 2009, with payment of the appropriate one (1) month Extension of Time fee submitted herewith via EFS.

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